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Unemployment Rates Seasonally Adjusted

	May 2007	Apr. 2007	May 2006
Michigan	6.9	7.1	6.6
Mississippi	6.0	6.8	6.5
Alaska	5.9	5.8	6.7
Ohio	5.7	5.7	5.4
District of Columbia	5.6	5.7	5.9
Kentucky	5.5	5.3	5.7
South Carolina	5.4	5.8	6.4
Arkansas	5.2	5.0	5.3
California	5.2	5.1	4.9
Massachusetts	5.1	4.6	4.9
Oregon	5.0	5.1	5.3
Wisconsin	4.9	5.1	4.7
Illinois	4.8	4.8	4.5
Louisiana	4.8	4.3	3.8
North Carolina	4.8	4.8	4.7
Rhode Island	4.8	4.5	5.2
Tennessee	4.7	4.4	5.3
Kansas	4.6	4.3	4.5
Minnesota	4.6	4.5	3.9
Missouri	4.6	4.5	4.7
Nevada	4.6	4.4	4.1
Washington	4.6	4.4	5.1
Connecticut	4.5	4.2	4.1
Indiana	4.5	4.8	5.1
Maine	4.5	4.3	4.5
Oklahoma	4.5	4.2	4.0
West Virginia	4.5	4.5	4.9
New York	4.4	4.1	4.5
Georgia	4.3	4.4	4.7
New Jersey	4.3	4.3	4.7
Pennsylvania	4.2	4.1	4.7
Texas	4.1	4.2	5.0
New Hampshire	3.9	4.0	3.4
Vermont	3.8	3.9	3.3
New Mexico	3.7	3.6	4.4
Arizona	3.6	4.0	4.1
Colorado	3.6	3.5	4.5
Iowa	3.6	3.4	3.8
Maryland	3.6	3.6	3.9
Alabama	3.5	3.3	3.6
Florida	3.4	3.4	3.3
Delaware	3.3	3.7	3.7
North Dakota	3.3	3.3	3.2
Wyoming	3.3	2.9	3.3
South Dakota	3.2	3.4	3.2
Nebraska	3.1	2.8	3.0
Virginia	2.9	3.1	2.9
Hawaii	2.5	2.4	2.6
Utah	2.5	2.5	3.0
Idaho	2.3	2.8	3.5
Montana	2.3	2.2	3.3

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, D.C. Department of Employment Services, Office of Labor Market Research and Information

National Unemployment Rates

The May 2007 national unemployment rate of 4.3 percent (not seasonally adjusted) was unchanged from the rate in April 2007 and 0.1 percent lower than the rate in May 2006.

The seasonally adjusted national unemployment rate in May 2007 was 4.5 percent; unchanged from the April 2007 rate and 0.1 percent lower than the May 2006, seasonally adjusted, national unemployment rate.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In May, the District of Columbia had the fifth highest unemployment rate at 5.6 percent. Michigan recorded the highest jobless rate at 6.9 percent followed by Mississippi, at 6.0 percent, Alaska, at 5.9 percent, and Ohio, at 5.7 percent. Idaho and Montana, at 2.3 percent each, posted the lowest unemployment rates, followed by Hawaii and Utah, at 2.5 percent each. Fifteen additional states recorded rates of 4.0 percent or below including Virginia, at 2.9 percent and Maryland, at 3.6 percent.

Over the month, unemployment rates were lower in the District of Columbia and 15 states, lower in 26 states, and unchanged in 9 states. The largest rate decreases were in Mississippi (down 0.8 percentage point), Idaho (down 0.5 percentage point), and Arizona, Delaware and South Carolina (down 0.4 percentage point each). Louisiana and Massachusetts registered the largest rate increases (up 0.5 percentage point each).

Compared to a year earlier, unemployment rates were lower in the District of Columbia and 28 states, higher in 18 states and unchanged in 4 states. Idaho (down 1.2 percentage points) recorded the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decrease followed by Montana and South Carolina (down 1.0 percentage point each) and Colorado and Texas (down 0.9 percentage point each). The largest over-the-year unemployment rate increases were in Louisiana (up 1.0 percentage point) and Minnesota (up 0.7 percentage point).

Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	May 07	Apr. 07	May 06 a
U.S.A.	4.3	4.3	4.4
Washington, DC MSA	2.9	2.8	3.1
Washington, DC MD	2.9	2.9	3.1
D.C.	5.4	5.2	6.0

D.C. Ward	1	4.6	4.4	5.2
	2	2.6	2.5	2.9
	3	1.4	1.3	1.6
	4	4.4	4.2	4.9
	5	7.3	7.0	8.1
	6	5.3	5.1	5.9
	7	9.4	9.1	10.5
	8	14.5	14.0	16.0

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

U.S.A.	4.5	4.5	4.6
D.C.	5.6	5.7	5.9

a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year. Ward laborforce statistics based on Census 2000 household data.

District of Columbia's Unemployment Rate

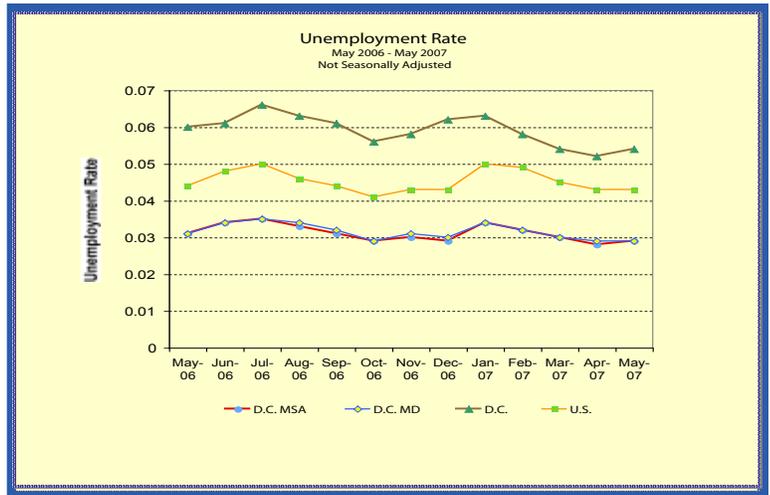
The District of Columbia's seasonally adjusted May 2007 unemployment rate was 5.6 percent, down 0.1 percent from the April 2007 rate. The May 2007 rate was 0.3 percent lower than the rate in May 2006.

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May 2007 was 5.4 percent; up 0.2 percent from the rate in April 2007 and 0.6 percent lower than the May 2006 rate.



District of Columbia's Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

Over the month, the District's civilian labor force decreased by 600 to 318,900. A total of 301,800 residents were employed and 17,200 were unemployed in May 2007. A 1,100 decrease in the number of employed residents along with a 600 increase in the number of unemployed residents resulted in the 0.2 percent increase in the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate.



From May 2006 to May 2007, the District's civilian labor force increased by 6,000 as the number of employed residents increased by 7,700 and the number of unemployed residents decreased by 1,600. The District's May 2007 unemployment rate was 0.6 percent lower than the rate in May 2006.

Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics

In May 2007, initial claims filed for Unemployment Insurance (UI) in the District of Columbia rose 30.7 percent from the April 2007 level of 1,124 to 1,469. Over the year, UI initial claims were up 3.8 percent from the 1,415 level in May 2006. The May 2007 initial claims for all programs were up from April 2007 by 288 to 1,507 and higher by 57 or 3.9 percent from the May 2006 level of 1,450.

For the all programs total, most other benefit statistics were higher in May 2007 compared to April 2007. Weeks claimed fell 12.8 percent to 15,840, while weeks compensated were up 19.1 percent to 29,256, benefits paid increased 20.6 percent to \$8,315,433, and the average weekly benefit amount (A.W.B.A.) rose 1.3 percent to \$284.23. First payments were up 19.3 percent to 1,447 while final payments decreased 17.1 percent to 710.



Over the year, most other benefit statistics were higher in May 2007 compared to May 2006. Weeks claimed were down 1.7 percent while weeks compensated rose 7.0 percent. Benefits paid increased by 25.3 percent and the average weekly benefit amount rose 17.1 percent from the \$242.74 May 2006 amount. First payments were up 10.3 percent while final payments were 22.1 percent lower.

Washington Metropolitan Division Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rate

The civilian labor force in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased by 8,500 in May 2007 as employment rose by 7,200 and the number unemployed increased by 1,300. The unemployment rate in the Washington Metropolitan Division, at 2.9 percent in May, was unchanged from the rate in April 2007.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the Washington Metropolitan Division rose by 37,800. With 2,600 fewer unemployed division residents, the division civilian labor force rose by 35,200. The metropolitan division's May 2007 unemployment rate was down 0.2 percent from the rate in May 2006.

Washington Metropolitan Area Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rate

The civilian labor force in the suburban ring of communities surrounding the District of Columbia increased by 11,300 in May 2007 as employment rose by 9,200 and the number unemployed increased by 1,900. The unemployment rate in the suburban ring, at 2.6 percent in May, was up 0.1 percent from the rate in April 2007.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the suburban ring rose by 34,100. With 2,200 fewer unemployed suburban residents, the suburban civilian labor force rose by 32,200.

Employment Status for the Civilian Population District of Columbia, Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area May 2007/a

	May 2007	Apr. 2007	May/b 2006	Apr./b 2006	Net Change From	
					Apr. 2007	May 2006
Seasonally Adjusted						
Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	322,100	322,000	315,500	312,900	100	6,600
Total Employed	304,000	303,600	296,900	294,300	400	7,100
Total Unemployed	18,100	18,300	18,600	18,600	-200	-500
Unemployment Rate	5.6	5.7	5.9	5.9	-0.1	-0.3
Not Seasonally Adjusted						
Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	318,900	319,500	312,900	310,600	-600	6,000
Total Employed	301,800	302,900	294,100	293,300	-1,100	7,700
Total Unemployed	17,200	16,600	18,800	17,300	600	-1,600
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.2	6.0	5.6	0.2	-0.6
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division						
Civilian Labor Force	2,344,500	2,336,000	2,309,300	2,293,000	8,500	35,200
Total Employed	2,275,500	2,268,300	2,237,700	2,224,700	7,200	37,800
Total Unemployed	69,000	67,700	71,600	68,300	1,300	-2,600
Unemployment Rate	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.0	0.0	-0.2
Suburban Ring						
Civilian Labor Force	2,667,900	2,656,600	2,635,700	2,617,800	11,300	32,200
Total Employed	2,598,500	2,589,300	2,564,400	2,549,700	9,200	34,100
Total Unemployed	69,200	67,300	71,400	68,100	1,900	-2,200
Unemployment Rate	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.6	0.1	-0.1
Washington, D.C. MSA						
Civilian Labor Force	2,986,800	2,976,100	2,948,600	2,928,400	10,700	38,200
Total Employed	2,900,300	2,892,200	2,858,500	2,843,000	8,100	41,800
Total Unemployed	86,400	83,900	90,200	85,400	2,500	-3,800
Unemployment Rate	2.9	2.8	3.1	2.9	0.1	-0.2

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b/ Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

na: Not available. Estimates for 2005 based on the 2006 benchmark revisions will not be available until May 2007.

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year. Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia, Virginia cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia county of Jefferson. Estimated labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

The suburban ring's May 2007 unemployment rate was down 0.1 percent from the rate in May 2006.

For the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area, the number of persons in the civilian labor force increased by 10,700 in May 2007. The number of employed residents in the metropolitan area rose by 8,100 and the number of unemployed residents increased by 2,500. The metropolitan area's unemployment rate at 2.9 percent in May 2007 was up 0.1 percent from the rate in April 2007.

Compared to May 2006, the metropolitan area's civilian labor force rose by 38,200. Employment increased by 41,800 and unemployment fell by 3,800. The Washington Metropolitan Area's May 2007 unemployment rate was down 0.2 percent from the May 2006 rate of 3.1 percent.



Selected Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics (Regular Programs) District of Columbia Jul 2007

	% Change From				
	May 2007	Apr. 2007	May 2006	Apr. 2007	May 2006
State UI Program a/					
Initial Claims	1,469	1,124	1,415	30.7	3.8
Weeks Claimed	14,613	16,619	15,337	-12.1	-4.7
Weeks Compensated	26,751	22,594	25,983	18.4	3.0
Benefits Paid	\$7,524,903	\$6,267,012	\$6,192,434	20.1	21.5
A.W.B.A.	\$281.29	\$277.38	\$277.72	1.4	1.3
First Payments	1,359	1,054	1,253	28.9	8.5
Final Payments	678	828	846	-18.1	-19.9
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Federal Program b/					
Initial Claims	25	89	28	-71.9	-10.7
Weeks Claimed	1,106	1,395	628	-20.7	76.1
Weeks Compensated	2,369	1,854	1,218	27.8	94.5
Benefits Paid	\$743,745	\$588,578	\$394,576	26.4	88.5
A.W.B.A.	\$313.95	\$317.46	\$323.95	-1.1	-3.1
First Payments	79	151	53	-47.7	49.1
Final Payments	26	26	56	0.0	-53.6
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ex-Servicepersons Program c/					
Initial Claims	13	6	7	116.7	85.7
Weeks Claimed	121	149	149	-18.8	-18.8
Weeks Compensated	136	113	145	20.4	-6.2
Benefits Paid	\$46,785	\$38,911	\$50,895	20.2	-8.1
A.W.B.A.	\$344.01	\$344.35	\$351.00	-0.1	-2.0
First Payments	9	8	6	12.5	50.0
Final Payments	6	2	9	200.0	-33.3
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total - All Programs					
Initial Claims	1,507	1,219	1,450	23.6	3.9
Weeks Claimed	15,840	18,163	16,114	-12.8	-1.7
Weeks Compensated	29,256	24,561	27,346	19.1	7.0
Benefits Paid	\$8,315,433	\$6,894,501	\$6,637,905	20.6	25.3
A.W.B.A.	\$284.23	\$280.71	\$242.74	1.3	17.1
First Payments	1,447	1,213	1,312	19.3	10.3
Final Payments	710	856	911	-17.1	-22.1
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

a/ Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) and/or Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicepersons (UCX).

b/ Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation of Ex-Servicepersons (UCX).

c/ No joint claims.

District of Columbia Job Growth

The number of District wage and salary jobs decreased by 2,500 in May 2007. The private sector decreased by 2,800 jobs while the public sector added 300 jobs. In the private sector, educational and health services declined by 4,200 jobs and information lost 100 while professional and business services gained 600 jobs, natural resources and construction and leisure and hospitality added 300 jobs each, and trade, transportation and utilities, financial activities and other services added 100 jobs each. Manufacturing was unchanged. In the public sector, the Federal Government added 300 jobs while the District Government and transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 10,800 jobs. The private sector added 9,900 jobs and the public sector gained 900 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 6,400 jobs), other services (up by 1,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 900 jobs), financial activities (up by 800 jobs), educational and health services (up by 500 jobs), information (up by 400 jobs), and natural resources and construction (up by 100 jobs). Trade, transportation and utilities were unchanged while manufacturing lost 200 jobs. In the public sector, the Federal Government gained 500 job and the District Government and transportation added 200 jobs each.



Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	May b/ 2007	Apr. c/ 2007	May 2006	May b/ 2007	Apr. c/ 2007	May 2006
TOTAL	696.4	698.9	685.6	2,439.6	2,425.7	2,393.9
Total Private Sector	464.8	467.6	454.9	1,883.2	1,872.1	1,845.9
Total Government	231.6	231.3	230.7	556.4	553.6	548.0
Total Goods Producing	14.3	14.0	14.4	194.0	192.2	193.9
Manufacturing	1.6	1.6	1.8	43.4	43.3	43.7
Durable Goods	na	na	na	26.9	26.7	26.4
Non-Durable Goods	na	na	na	16.5	16.6	17.3
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	12.7	12.4	12.6	150.6	148.9	150.2
Construction of Buildings	na	na	na	35.8	35.2	35.5
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	na	na	na	17.8	17.5	18.2
Specialty Trade Contractors	na	na	na	96.0	95.1	95.6
Total Service Providing	682.1	684.9	671.2	2,245.6	2,233.5	2,200.0
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	27.9	27.8	27.9	324.6	321.2	318.5
Wholesale Trade	4.8	4.8	4.8	55.0	54.7	54.8
Retail Trade	17.9	17.9	17.6	212.1	209.7	206.5
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	na	na	na	24.8	24.6	25.5
Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	na	na	na	17.9	17.4	18.3
Food & Beverage Stores	na	na	na	38.4	38.0	36.2
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	na	na	na	24.7	24.4	23.3
Department Stores	na	na	na	23.6	23.4	24.0
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.2	5.1	5.5	57.5	56.8	57.2
Utilities	na	na	na	7.5	7.4	7.4
Transportation & Warehousing	na	na	na	50.0	49.4	49.8
Air Transportation	na	na	na	11.7	11.6	12.0
Information	22.6	22.7	22.2	81.0	80.5	81.1
Publishing industries (except Internet)	8.6	8.8	8.5	na	na	na
Financial Activities	30.2	30.1	29.4	118.8	117.8	116.8
Finance and insurance	18.7	18.8	18.0	77.1	76.6	74.9
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	9.1	9.0	8.5	45.3	45.0	43.8
Depository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	19.4	19.1	18.8
Nondepository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	20.1	20.0	19.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11.5	11.3	11.4	41.7	41.2	41.9
Professional and Business Services	159.5	158.9	153.1	557.7	556.3	539.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	104.8	104.8	102.5	368.4	369.2	357.8
Legal Services	36.1	35.8	34.9	48.5	48.2	47.7
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, & Payroll Services	na	na	na	18.0	19.9	18.4
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	na	na	na	48.8	48.5	48.2
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	na	na	na	126.2	125.7	121.5
Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	na	na	na	65.7	65.5	61.1
Scientific Research and Development Services	15.3	15.3	15.2	na	na	na
Management of Companies and Enterprises	na	na	na	32.1	31.8	31.4
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	53.1	52.5	49.3	157.2	155.3	150.3

Employment Services	12.4	12.2	12.1	30.9	30.2	30.2
Investigation and Security Services	8.6	8.5	8.8	na	na	na
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	13.3	12.9	12.6	52.7	52.1	51.2
Educational and Health Services	93.4	97.6	92.9	251.5	254.2	246.5
Educational Services	41.4	45.6	41.5	75.3	78.4	74.2
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	30.3	34.4	30.4	44.2	47.9	43.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	52.0	52.0	51.4	176.2	175.8	172.3
Ambulatory Health Care Services	10.5	10.7	10.3	61.9	61.5	59.8
Offices of Physicians	na	na	na	25.5	25.4	25.0
Outpatient Care Centers	na	na	na	8.0	7.9	7.5
Hospitals	24.4	24.4	23.7	55.2	55.3	54.4
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	6.8	6.8	6.7	27.6	27.7	26.4
Social Assistance	na	na	na	31.5	31.3	31.7
Child Day Care Services	na	na	na	15.0	14.8	14.7

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	May b/ 2007	Apr. c/ 2007	May 2006	May b/ 2007	Apr. c/ 2007	May 2006
Leisure and Hospitality	56.2	55.9	55.3	209.1	204.0	205.4
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6.2	6.4	6.2	28.8	27.0	27.8
Accommodation and Food Services	50.0	49.5	49.1	180.3	177.0	177.6
Accommodation	15.8	15.8	15.6	35.5	34.8	35.3
Food Services and Drinking Places	34.2	33.7	33.5	144.8	142.2	142.3
Full-Service Restaurants	17.6	17.3	17.4	75.3	73.4	74.0
Limited-Service Eating Places	10.0	10.0	9.9	56.2	54.9	55.2
Special Food Services	5.1	4.9	5.1	11.9	11.6	11.4
Other Services	60.7	60.6	59.7	146.5	145.9	144.2
Personal and Laundry Services	na	na	na	26.4	26.0	26.3
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, & Similar Organizations	53.6	53.5	52.8	103.3	102.9	101.5
Business, Professional, Labor, Political, & Similar Organizations	26.7	26.7	26.4	42.7	42.6	42.6
Government	231.6	231.3	230.7	556.4	553.6	548.0
Federal Government	191.9	191.6	191.4	297.8	297.1	296.4
State Government & Local Government / Public Transportation	39.7	39.7	39.3	na	na	na
State Government	34.7	34.7	34.5	81.0	80.6	76.9
Local Government	na	na	na	177.6	175.9	174.7
Public Transportation	5.0	5.0	4.8	na	na	na

a/ Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month.

Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded.

The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia; Calvert County, MD; Charles County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Arlington County, VA; Clarke County, VA;

Fairfax County, VA; Fauquier County, VA; Loudoun County, VA; Prince William County, VA; Spotsylvania County, VA; Stafford County, VA; Warren County, VA; Alexandria city, VA; Fairfax city, VA; Falls Church city, VA;

Fredericksburg city, VA; Manassas city, VA; Manassas Park city, VA; and Jefferson County, WV

SOURCE: Prepared by the Department of Employment Services Office of Labor Market Research and Information in cooperation with the Virginia Employment Commission, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the West Virginia Bureau of Employment Programs and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Washington Metropolitan Division Job Growth

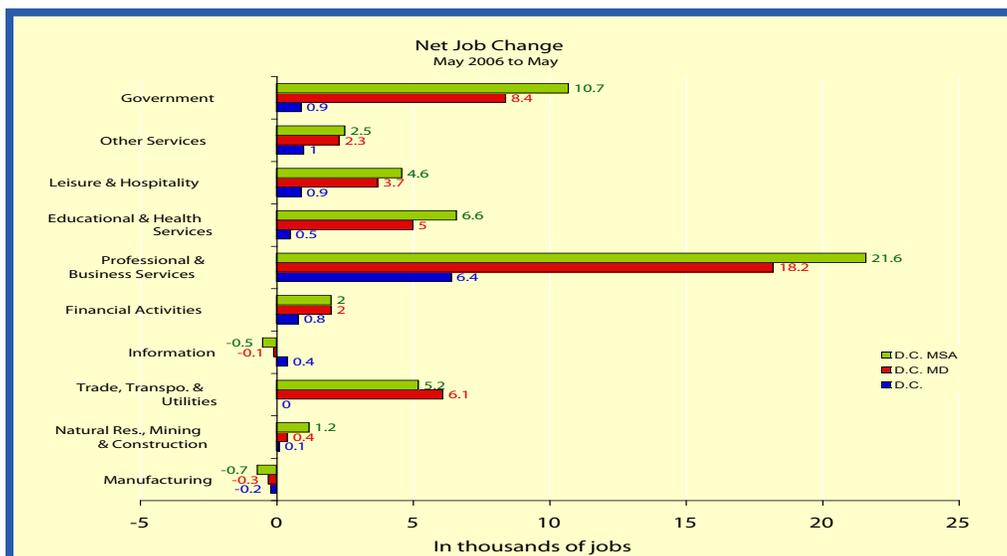
Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division increased over the month in May 2007 by 13,900. The private sector increased by 11,100 jobs and the public sector gained 2,800 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in leisure and hospitality (up by 5,100 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 3,400 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,700 jobs), professional and business services (up by 1,400 jobs), financial activities (up by 1,000 jobs), other services (up by 600 jobs), information (up by 500 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 100 jobs). Educational and health services lost 2,700 jobs over the month. In the public sector, local government gained 1,700 jobs; the federal government added 700 jobs; and state government gained 400 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 45,700 jobs. The private sector added 37,300 jobs and the public sector gained 8,400 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 18,200 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 6,100 jobs), educational and health services (up by 5,000 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 3,700 jobs), other services (up by 2,300 jobs), financial activities (up by 2,000 jobs), and natural resources, mining and construction (up by 400 jobs). Losses were registered in manufacturing (down by 300 jobs) and information (down by 100 jobs). In the public sector, state government added 4,100 jobs, local government gained 2,900 jobs, and the federal government added 1,400 jobs.

Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area Job Growth

Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area increased over the month in May 2007 by 18,000. The private sector increased by 14,300 jobs and the public sector gained 3,700 jobs. Within the private sector, gains were registered in leisure and hospitality (up by 6,500 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 3,900 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 2,200 jobs), professional and business services (up by 1,700 jobs), financial activities (up by 1,200 jobs), other services (up by 700 jobs), information (up by 600 jobs), and manufacturing (up by 100 jobs). Educational and health services lost 2,600 jobs. In the public sector, the federal government gained 800 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area gained 53,200 jobs. The private sector added 42,500 jobs and the public sector gained 10,700 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 21,600 jobs), educational and health services (up by 6,600 jobs), trade, transportation, and utilities (up by 5,200 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 4,600 jobs), other services (up by 2,500 jobs), financial activities (up by 2,000 jobs), and natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,200 jobs). Private sector losses were noted in manufacturing (down by 700 jobs) and information (down by 500 jobs). In government, the federal government gained 2,300 jobs.



Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work a/ (In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	CHANGE FROM				
	May b/ 2007	Apr. c/ 2007	May 2006	Apr. 2007	May 2006
TOTAL	3024.6	3006.6	2971.4	18.0	53.2
Total Private Sector	2371.7	2357.4	2329.2	14.3	42.5
Total Government	652.9	649.2	642.2	3.7	10.7
Total Goods Producing	257.7	255.4	257.2	2.3	0.5
Manufacturing	63.2	63.1	63.9	0.1	-0.7
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	194.5	192.3	193.3	2.2	1.2
Specialty Trade Contractors	122.1	121.0	121.1	1.1	1.0
Total Service Providing	2766.9	2751.2	2714.2	15.7	52.7
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	407.3	403.4	402.1	3.9	5.2
Wholesale Trade	70.8	70.5	70.6	0.3	0.2
Retail Trade	271.6	268.7	267.2	2.9	4.4
Food & Beverage Stores	51.3	50.8	48.6	0.5	2.7
Department Stores	30.8	30.4	31.3	0.4	-0.5
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	64.9	64.2	64.3	0.7	0.6
Information	98.2	97.6	98.7	0.6	-0.5
Financial Activities	163.9	162.7	161.9	1.2	2.0
Finance and insurance	107.5	107.0	105.7	0.5	1.8
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	60.3	59.9	58.4	0.4	1.9
Professional and Business Services	686.5	684.8	664.9	1.7	21.6
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	446.2	447.1	434.4	-0.9	11.8
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	147.2	146.6	142.4	0.6	4.8
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	200.3	198.0	191.8	2.3	8.5
Employment Services	45.5	44.0	43.2	1.5	2.3
Educational and Health Services	323.4	326.0	316.8	-2.6	6.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	237.1	236.4	231.4	0.7	5.7
Ambulatory Health Care Services	87.2	86.7	84.4	0.5	2.8
Offices of Physicians	36.2	36.0	35.4	0.2	0.8
Hospitals	67.7	67.8	66.5	-0.1	1.2
Leisure and Hospitality	257.1	250.6	252.5	6.5	4.6
Accommodation and Food Services	220.1	215.8	216.2	4.3	3.9
Food Services and Drinking Places	180.4	177.1	176.6	3.3	3.8
Other Services	177.6	176.9	175.1	0.7	2.5
Government	652.9	649.2	642.2	3.7	10.7
Federal Government	341.3	340.5	339.0	0.8	2.3

a/ Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2005 benchmark revisions. • b/ Preliminary. • c/ Revised.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded. The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division. The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia; Calvert County, MD; Charles County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Arlington County, VA; Clarke County, VA; Fairfax County, VA; Fauquier County, VA; The Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Table prepared by the Department of Employment Services Office of Labor Market Research and Information.

**D.C. Metro Division Average Hours and Earnings
(of production workers in manufacturing)**

In May 2007, average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers in the Washington metropolitan division decreased by \$5.46 over the month to \$677.04. A decrease in average weekly hours was responsible for the drop. Average weekly hours were down 0.4 hour to 38.6 while average hourly earnings were up four cents to \$17.54.

From May 2006 to May 2007, average weekly earnings increased by \$14.48. This increase was due to a fifteen cent rise in hourly earnings and a 0.5 hour increase in average weekly hours.

**D.C. Metro Division Average Hours & Earnings
(of Production Workers in Manufacturing)**

	May '07 p	Apr. '07 r	May '06 a
Weekly Earnings	\$677.04	\$682.50	\$662.56
Weekly Hours	38.6	39.0	38.1
Hourly Earnings	\$17.54	\$17.50	\$17.39

*p: Preliminary
r: Revised
a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions*

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